

Comhairle Contae Fhine Gall Fingal County Council

Minutes of the County Council Meeting held on Monday, 3rd July, 2023 in the Council Chamber - County Hall, Swords, at 5.00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors:

Burtchaell, John
Butler, Darragh
Conroy, Pamela
Dennehy, Brian
Dennison, Kieran
Donnelly, Angela
Doyle, Tania
Graves, Ann
Guerin, Jimmy
Healy, David
Henchy, Adrian
Humphreys, James
Kitt, Tom
Lavin, Anthony
Leddy, Ted
Maguire, Grainne
Mahony, Howard

Councillors:

Manton, Brigid
McCamley, Mary
McDonagh, Brian
Milligan, Dean
Mulville, Paul
Murphy, Tony
Newman, Joe
O'Brien, Eoghan
O'Donoghue, Robert
Onwumereh, JK
Rane, Punam
Ryan, Brendan
Shovlin, Siobhan
Tormey, Aoibhinn
Treacy, Natalie
Walsh, John

Apologies for inability to attend were received for Councillors Ian Carey, Breda Hanaphy, Joan Hopkins, Tom O'Leary, Karen Power and Daniel Whooley.

The Mayor, Councillor Adrian Henchy, presided.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

AnnMarie Farrelly (Chief Executive); Mary Egan (Director of Services/People, Corporate & Digital); John Quinlivan (Director of Services/Economic, Enterprise, Tourism and Cultural Development); David Storey (Director of Services/Environment, Climate Action & Active Travel); Mary T Daly (Director of Services/Operations & Water); Oliver Hunt (Head of Finance); Robert

Burns (Director of Housing Services and Community Development); Matthew McAleese (Director of Services Planning and Strategic Infrastructure); Nikki Halleran (A/Senior Executive Officer); Roisin Burke (Senior Planner).

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Mayor, Councillor. A. Henchy, at the start of the meeting reminded Members that Standing Orders would apply to all aspects of the meeting.

F/270/23 (Agenda Item No 1)

CONFIRMATION AND RE-AFFIRMATION OF MINUTES

a **Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of Council Meeting held on Monday 12th June 2023**

Minutes of the County Council Meeting held on 12th June 2023 which had been circulated were considered.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor A. Henchy, seconded by Councillor G. Maguire and **RESOLVED –**

“That the minutes of the County Council Meeting held on 12th June 2023 be **ADOPTED.**”

b **Confirmation and Re-affirmation of Minutes of Annual Meeting held on Friday 16th June 2023**

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 16th June 2023 which had been circulated were considered.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor A. Henchy, seconded by Councillor G. Maguire and **RESOLVED –**

“That the minutes of the County Council Meeting held on 16th June 2023 be **ADOPTED.**”

F/271/23 (Agenda Item No 2)

NOMINATIONS

a **Appointment of one Member to the Howth Special Amenity Area Order (SAAO) Management Committee**

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**.

It was proposed by Councillor D. Healy, seconded by Councillor E. O'Brien and **AGREED:**

"That Councillor Jimmy Guerin be appointed to the Howth Special Amenity Area Order (SAAO) Management Committee."

F/272/23 (Agenda Item No)

QUESTIONS

It was proposed by Councillor A. Henchy, seconded by Councillor G. Maguire and **RESOLVED:**

"That in accordance with Standing Order No. 53, Questions numbered 3 to 16, be **ADOPTED**."

F/273/23 (Agenda Item No 3)

Councillor C. Boland - Community Benefit Fund - Wind farms

F/274/23 (Agenda Item No 4)

Councillor J. Hopkins - Vacant Site Levy Procedure

F/275/23 (Agenda Item No 5)

Councillor K. Power - Pop up Electric Vehicle Chargers

F/276/23 (Agenda Item No 6)

Councillor P. Mulville - Families, children and individuals in Fingal currently Homeless

F/277/23 (Agenda Item No 7)

Councillor P. Mulville - Childcare and After-school spaces in Fingal

F/278/23 (Agenda Item No 8)

Councillor D. Healy - Total area of Off-street Car-parking/spaces in the Charge of this Council

- F/279/23** (Agenda Item No 9)
Councillor A. Donnelly - Tenant in Situ Information
- F/280/23** (Agenda Item No 10)
Councillor B. Hanaphy - Pyrite Repairs across Fingal
- F/281/23** (Agenda Item No 11)
Councillor B. Manton - General Operative Positions in each Local Electoral Area across Fingal
- F/282/23** (Agenda Item No 12)
Councillor B. Dennehy - Current designated bathing water beaches without a "Blue Flag Status"
- F/283/23** (Agenda Item No 13)
Councillor B. Dennehy - Casual Trading Licences that were applied for and taken up this year
- F/284/23** (Agenda Item No 14)
Councillor J. Humphreys - Harry Clarke - Stained Glass Pieces in the ownership of this Council
- F/285/23** (Agenda Item No 15)
Councillor J. Humphreys - Food Forest in Fingal
- F/286/23** (Agenda Item No 16)
Councillor B. Ryan - Planning Enforcement - Power to order immediate cessation of work
- F/287/23** (Agenda Item No 17)
Report of Committees

a **Strategic Policy Committee Quarterly Reports**

The reports by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, were **CONSIDERED**. Cllr A.Tormey raised an amendment to the minutes of the June Climate Action, Biodiversity, Environment SPC meeting which was agreed. It was proposed by Councillor A. Henchy, seconded by Councillor G. Maguire and **RESOLVED:**

"That the recommendations contained in the quarterly reports of Strategic Policy Committees are hereby **APPROVED** subject to the agreed amendment."

b Report of Organisation, Procedures and Finance Committee Meeting held on 12th June 2023

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED** and **AGREED**.

c Report of Corporate Policy Group Meeting held on Monday 26th June 2023

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor A. Henchy, seconded by Councillor E. O'Brien and **RESOLVED**:

"That the recommendations contained in the report from Corporate Policy Group Meeting held on 26th June 2023, be **APPROVED**."

F/288/23 (Agenda Item No 18)

Financial Matters

a Borrowing for Cost Rental - Churchfields

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor H. Mahony, seconded by Councillor K. Dennison and **RESOLVED**:

"It is hereby resolved that a loan in the sum of €22m be raised for the purpose of funding the delivery of cost rental units at Churchfields Mulhuddart Co Dublin pursuant to the provisions of Section 106 of the Local Government Act, 2001"

b Financial assistance to Approved Housing Bodies under the Capital Assistance Scheme- Call for CAS 2017 to provide units of living accommodation in the Fingal Area

The attached report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**. It was then proposed by Councillor M. McCamely, seconded by Councillor J. Walsh and **RESOLVED**:

"That the recommendations contained in the attached report be **ADOPTED**."

F/289/23 (Agenda Item No 19)

Proposed Disposal of Properties

a **Proposed disposal of land and grant of wayleave at Ballymastone Recreational Hub, Ballymastone, Donabate, Co. Dublin to ESB Networks**

The attached report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor A. Henchy and seconded by Councillor G. Maguire and **RESOLVED**:

“That the land and wayleave agreements referred to in the attached report be granted in accordance with the terms specified therein.”

b **Proposed Disposal of Fee Simple Interest of Dwellings**

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor A. Henchy and seconded by Councillor G. Maguire and **RESOLVED**:

“That the Fee Simple Interest referred to in the attached report be disposed of in accordance with the terms specified therein.”

F/290/23 (Agenda Item No 20)

Declaration of Roads

a **Ballygossan Park, Phase 1, Skerries, Co Dublin**

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor A. Henchy, seconded by Councillor G. Maguire, and **RESOLVED**:

“That the roads referred to in the attached report be, and are hereby declared to be, public roads.”

b **Entrance off Roundabout on R121 opposite The Boulevard, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15**

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor M. McCamley, seconded by Councillor K. Dennison, and **RESOLVED**:

“That the roads referred to in the attached report be, and are hereby declared to be, public roads.”

c Rahillion Phase 2, Donabate, Co Dublin

The report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor A. Henchy, seconded by Councillor G. Maguire, and **RESOLVED**:

“That the roads referred to in the attached report be, and are hereby declared to be, public roads.”

F/291/23 (Agenda Item No 21)

PARTXI/001/21 Chief Executive Report pursuant to Part XI of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (As amended) and Part VIII of the Local Government Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (As amended) for proposed housing development of six dwellings and associated landscaping and site works in Garristown, Co Dublin

The attached report by the Chief Executive which had been circulated was **CONSIDERED**. It was proposed by Councillor A. Henchy, seconded by Councillor G. Maguire, and **RESOLVED**:

“That Fingal County Council hereby resolves, pursuant to Part XI of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Part VIII of the Local Government Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), that the proposed housing development of six dwellings and associated landscaping and site works in Garristown, Co Dublin be proceeded with as set out in the foregoing report.”

F/292/23 (Agenda Item No 22)

Prioritising Plans arising out of the Development Plan 2023-2029

The Mayor Councillor A. Henchy advised the Members a motion was received by Councillor A. Graves and was ruled out of order.

The attached report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**. A presentation was provided to the Members by Roisin Burke, Senior Planner. Following a discussion, the report was **AGREED**.

F/293/23 (Agenda Item No 23)

Chief Executive's Report

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was **CONSIDERED**.

The Mayor, Councillor. A. Henchy, advised the Members that two motions had been received.

The motion from Councillor A. Graves was ruled out of order.

The motion from Councillor J. Burtchaell was ruled in order.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor J. Burtchaell and seconded by Councillor D. Mulligan.

"That this Council calls on the Local Authorities and their representative association the LGMA to engage with the Unite union and the other relevant water services workers unions on their concerns in relation to the proposed Water Services Framework."

Following discussion, the motion was **AGREED**.

The Chief Executive's report was **NOTED**.

F/294/23 (Agenda Item No 24)

Mayor's Business - Councillor A. Henchy

a Councillor A. Henchy - Alexis Mac Allister Argentinian Footballer

The motion, in the name of Councillor A. Henchy was proposed by Councillor A. Henchy and seconded by Councillor A. Lavin.

Following discussion, the motion was **AGREED**.

b Councillor A. Henchy - Exemption of fees - Road Closures - Community Voluntary Groups

The motion, in the name of Councillor A. Henchy was proposed by Councillor A. Henchy and seconded by Councillor E. O'Brien.

Following discussion, the motion was **AGREED**.

F/295/23 (Agenda Item No 25)

Conference Report

a MacGill Summer School 2023 - Highlands Hotel, Glenties, Co. Donegal across the 16th to the 19th of August 2023

The notice which had been circulated was **NOTED**.

b AILG Autumn Seminar 2023 - Elected Councillor Training Calendar of Events

The notice which had been circulated was **NOTED**.

F/296/23 (Agenda Item No 26)

Correspondence

a Letter dated 12th June 2023 from Wicklow County Council - re Resolution passed at Wicklow County Council re - Climate and Biodiversity

The correspondence, which had been received, was **NOTED**.

b Letter from the Office of the Chief Executive Officer, HSE re - Motion 36 - Cllr A Henchy - Defibrillators across Fingal from Director of National Ambulance Service

The correspondence, which had been received, was **NOTED**.

F/297/23 (Agenda Item No 27)

Departmental/Ministerial Correspondence

- a** **Letter dated 27th April 2023 from the Minister's office, Minister of Health re Motion 36 - Cllr A. Henchy - Defibrillators across Fingal**

The correspondence, which had been received, was **NOTED**.

- b** **Email dated 12th June from the office of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine re - Item 38 Support for a Ban on Hare Coursing November 2022**

The correspondence, which had been received, was **NOTED**.

MOTIONS - STATUTORY FUNCTIONS

Councillor P. Mulville withdrew Item 30 on behalf of Councillor J. Hopkins.

F/298/23 (Agenda Item No 28)

Councillor P. Conroy - Counselling Services for Councillors

The motion, in the name of Councillor P. Conroy was proposed by Councillor P. Conroy and seconded by Councillor H. Mahony.

Following discussion, the motion was **AGREED**

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

It was **AGREED** to extend the meeting by 15 minutes to conclude the consideration of Item 29.

F/299/23 (Agenda Item No 29)

Councillor JK. Onwumereh - Free of charge - Recycling for residents of Fingal

The motion, in the name of Councillor JK. Onwumereh was proposed by Councillor JK. Onwumereh and seconded by Councillor H. Mahony.

Following discussion, the report was **ACCEPTED**.

F/301/23 (Agenda Item No 31)

Councillor P. Rane - Initiative to provide Structures and Facilities that Support Disabled People

The report on the motion in the name of Councillor P. Rane was **ACCEPTED**.

F/305/23 (Agenda Item No 35)

Councillor A. Donnelly - Educational Requirements for positions with Fingal County Council

The report on the motion in the name of Councillor A. Donnelly was **ACCEPTED**.

The Meeting concluded at 8.10pm.

MAYOR _____

DATE _____